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Ms. Emily DeRocco
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Dear Ms. DeRocco:

On April 17, 2002, the Commonwealth of Kentucky received your affirmative reply to our request for a waiver of the time limit on the period of initial eligibility of training providers found at 20 CFR 663.530. Kentucky was granted a waiver stating that it should strive to have the determination process completed by January 1, 2004, in preparation for program operations in PY 2004, beginning July 1, 2004.

Kentucky has made great progress toward implementing subsequent eligibility during the extension period. However, discussions with educational entities have not advanced as planned. Please know that Kentucky intends to continue discussions with state educational entities in an effort to provide eligible customers with the best possible choices of training institutions. Additionally, the impending WIA Reauthorization has raised many issues and possibilities with respect to the determination of subsequent eligibility of training providers. Due to the abovementioned circumstances, Kentucky respectfully requests an extension of the current waiver of initial eligibility of "Subsequent Eligibility of Training Providers" to June 30, 2004.

Thank you for your consideration of this request. If you have any questions regarding this request, please do not hesitate to contact me at (502) 564-5360.

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